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SUBJECT: CLARIFICATION ON U.S. EXPORT LICENSING POLICY
TOWARDS CUBA

1. SIG. A. BUREI, GENERAL MANAGER OF ITALIAN STATE OWNED FIRM BREDA PROGETTI AND COSTRUZIONI S.P.A., HAS ASKED EDO FOR URGENT READING AS TO WHETHER USG WOULD GRANT AN EXPORT LICENSE FOR \$1.05 MILLION OF US ORIGIN MACHINERY TO BE SOLD TO ITALY FOR INCORPORATION IN A \$40 MILLION FISH PROCESSING PLANT TO BE SOLD TO CUBA.

2. THE CONTEMPLATED US ORIGIN EQUIPMENT IS:

A. THREE CAN TESTERS TO BE SUPPLIED BY BORDEN (ROCHESTER, N.Y.) VALUED AT \$380,000.

B. TWO PACK SHAPERS, THREE PACK FORMERS AND TWO CUSTOM CHUNK-ERS TO BE SUPPLIED BY CARRUTHERS (WARRENTON, OREGON) VALUED AT \$380,000.

C. ELEVEN SEAMERS TO BE SUPPLIED BY ANGELUS (LOS ANGELES, CALIF.) VALUED AT \$530,000.

3. SIG. BUREI TOLD EDO THAT HIS FIRM HAS ALREADY GIVEN AN ORDER TO FOOD MACHINERY CORP. (SAN JOSE, CALIF.) FOR \$2.5 MILLION OF US ORIGIN EQUIPMENT FOR ULTIMATE DESTINATION IN
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CUBA AND THAT FMC HAS ACCEPTED ORDER. QUESTION OF POSSIBLE

USG EXPORT LICENSE DENIAL CAME UP ONLY IN DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN
BREDAS AND SUPPLIERS IN PARA 2 (ABOVE).

4. EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE BY COB FEBRUARY 27 CLARIFICATION
OF USG POLICY AS PERTAINS TO BREDAS INTENTIONS AS WELL AS
ANY POSSIBLE CLARIFICATION OF PARA 3 (ABOVE). VOLPE

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